

Buenos Aires: Art, Design, History, Style & Culture***Melia Hotel Recoleta******October 14 - October 21, 2018****(depart US on 14th, arrive Argentina on 15th, depart Argentina on 20th arrive US on 21st)****US VALID PASSPORT REQUIRED FOR THIS TRIP******Monday, Oct 15: Welcome to Buenos Aires!****Upon arrival transfer to Melia Recoleta Hotel.**<https://www.melia.com/es/hoteles/argentina/buenos-aires/melia-recoleta-plaza/index.html>**This afternoon we will enjoy a walking tour of Recoleta including The National Cemetery! (see Evita's grave), a stop for lunch or tea, and some shopping!!**8pm Welcome dinner with wine at La Pecora Nera <http://www.lapecoranera.com.ar>****Tuesday, Oct 16: The Story of Argentina****Now that we are all feeling posh & perfectly Recoleta, it's time to learn about Argentina. We begin with the city's feeble start as a Spanish colony (Why is Buenos Aires even here!?), through its years as a sweet lil' smuggler's haven (the beginning of contraband roots), up to the Revolution and Independence which will bring us to the glorious heyday and the tremendous downfall of the second half of the 1900's.**We'll focus on history, culture, art and architecture as a tool to see how the city unfolded and changed over it's +/- 200 years.**Heading down to La Boca, we will tour around Caminito and also get off the beaten path. This will be a great lesson in Argentine artistic expression, culture, history, tango, art & current daily life.**From La Boca, we'll head to San Telmo for a delicious lunch and then a stroll through the barrio. We'll visit the most important food market in the city and visit silversmiths & artisans as they work.**Finally, we'll explore Plaza de Mayo, the cradle of Argentina. Plaza de Mayo is home to the most important historical events in our history and also in the present day. We'll discuss the local's love for protests, the fascinating story of Evita and Juan Peron, important government buildings and the financial district.**8pm Pick up for dinner at Roux and a VIP seating at Piazzolla Tango show.**<http://www.rouxresto.com/>*

Wednesday, Oct 17: A new country!! Heading to Uruguay for the day!

This morning, we'll have an early wake up call! The ferry to Colonia, Uruguay departs around 8am and we'll need to leave the hotel by 6:30am to arrive in time.

The 1-hour ferry arrives in Colonia by 9am. Here, our lovely sommelier guide will meet the group for a day of history & wine. We'll take some time to explore the small historic center of Colonia and then head out 1-hour by van to Carmelo where the wineries are located. There will be visits to 2 wineries with tastings included as well as a wonderful lunch.

We'll be able to take our time here as the departure ferry is at 4pm. Upon arrival in BA around 5pm, our driver will be there to bring you back to the hotel.

Thursday, Oct 18: Museums of Recoleta

Today, along with our art historian, we'll explore the most important museums of Recoleta, the Bellas Artes Museum & the MALBA, Museum of Latin American Art in Buenos Aires. These museums hold the best collections of Argentine art in the world.

Afternoon free to explore the fabulous shopping arcades.

*Optional dinner: enjoy dinner at the best closed-door restaurant in the city, iLatina.
https://www.ilatinabuenaosaires.com/?utm_source=google&utm_medium=organic
A gastronomic journey – additional costs! (Estimate \$150 per pax)*

Friday, Oct 19: Palermo Soho Walking tour OR Bike Tour

This morning, we have the option to do a BIKE TOUR OR wonderful walking, eating and shopping tour of Palermo Soho. We'll start with the van dropping us off at the Botanical Gardens. While they aren't those of Barcelona or Paris, there are many plants and lovely national species!

From the garden, we can walk to Palermo Soho to experience all of the latest in terms of gastronomy and design. The tour includes 4-5 food stops including the most traditional delicacies and also visiting the local grocery stores, fruit & veggie stands and wine shops. Along the way, and to make room for new food and drink, we'll visit the most important shops in the neighborhood. Local artisans and designers are producing fantastic pieces of art, jewelry, clothing, shoes, bags, trinkets, rugs and more.

Those who choose the bike tour will do a private "Parks & Plazas" tour which includes the most beautiful green spaces of the northern area of the city including the plazas of Recoleta, Parks of Palermo, Rosedal Rose Garden and also visit Palermo Soho. This a 4- 5 hour bike tour. Quick stop for lunch (included).

Farewell dinner at Aramburu Bis with wine <http://www.bisresto.com.ar/>

Saturday, Oct 20: Free final day

Airport transfer in the evening, pick up time 4 hours prior flight departure.

See Registration Details Below:

VALID US PASSPORT REQUIRED

Price per person is \$2,870 USD per person double occupancy

Single supplement: \$850

Deposit: \$750 with registration form. Final payment: July 15th, 2018

All deposits and final payments are non refundable.

Travel Insurance is highly recommended and can be gotten at :

https://www.travelexinsurance.com/quote/?gclid=CjwKCAiAlfnUBRBQEiwAWpPA6VaJHIV9J28pvS7r4yD_QRp7FgmDTw1ue8inxDnlli-QzS3AifUYpxoCWhkQAvD_BwE

Included in Cost:

5 nights sharing rooms at hotel in Recoleta Melia w/ breakfast daily

Recoleta walking tour

South City driving/walking tour

Tango show with transport

Ferry tickets to Uruguay & transport to port

Wine tour with sommelier guide

Food & shopping tour of Palermo OR bike tour

Museums of Recoleta with guide

Transfer to airport final evening

Entrance fees

Tour Directors

Gratuities for guides

Tour Escorts: Weezie and Ginny

Meals included:

Breakfast daily

First night dinner with wine

Dinner with wine before tango show

Lunch in Uruguay

Lunch in San Telmo

Lunch with biking trip

Final night dinner with wine

Not Included in Cost:

*Air ***

Transfers to the hotel upon arrival



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*** Due to different departure cities , use of Frequent Flyer Points, and upgrades and use of business and first class fares by our group participants, it has become impossible to book group airfare for trips which require a minimum number of travelers. We will provide an agent to assist if needed in planning your air and arrival plans.*

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